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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the enclosed remarks. A two month petition for extension of time is attached.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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